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AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

Dear Sir:

This is in response to a Non-Final Office Action, mailed January 5, 2006, setting forth a shortened period for response ending April 5, 2006. Reconsideration of Applicants claims is requested. Any additional fees required in connection with this application may be taken from Merck Deposit Account number 13-2755. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the claims: are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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